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## THE SILETZ FAIR

On the 24th to 26th of last August an Indian Fair was held at Siletz, Oregon. This was the first fair of this nature ever held at Siletz, and, so far as we know, was the premier of its class in Oregon. Supt. Chalcraft and a number of his agency people conceived the inspiration for the work early last spring, but before active preparations could be started summer was upon them. A splendid premium list, together with an entertainment program, was printed in this office for their use.

With the exception of Mr. Walter S. Hall, storekeeper at Siletz, every member of the executive board was an Indian, while Supt. Chalcraft acted as an advisory member. Considering the fact that it was their first attempt, the manner in which the Indians handled their fair, the wonderful success of the undertaking, the attendance and everything, entitles them to unstinted congratulations. The displays were of the most interesting character and consisted of everything from the handiwork of the women to the field products that represented the industry of the men.

Of bead work and basketry there was magnificent display, while some of the needlework was simply marvelous. The work of the schoolgirls was most creditable and many women who are the heads of households of their own could with profit have taken lessons from these girls in many things.

Think of corn on display, the stalks of which were twelve feet high, and you will find yourself doing some thinking. Yet a sample of such corn was in evidence. There were many fine displays of fruits and